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LOK SABHA

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GUIDELINES FOR FINANCIAL GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether University Grants Commission has laid down any guidelines for receiving the financial grants from the Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of colleges in the country as well as the Universities under the purview of University Grants Commission eligible to receive the developmental grants, State-wise;

(d) the number of colleges in the country which fail to meet the minimum educational standards requirement;

(e) whether there has been made any amendment recently regarding the revival of academics in so far as the question of admission policy is concerned; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a)&(b): The University Grants Commission provides financial assistance to eligible universities/colleges which are included under Section 2(f) and declared fit to receive central assistance under Section 12 B of UGC Act, 1956 as per approved pattern of assistance under various schemes. Allocation of the grants under five year Plan to various universities and colleges ,is based on the recommendations of the duly constituted expert committees and the availability of overall fund with the UGC. The UGC provides development grants under Plan, to eligible State Universities and Colleges whereas Plan and non-plan grant is provided to Central Universities /eligible deemed universities and colleges. UGC releases grants in installments to the Institutions on receiving 70% utilization certificate of the previous grants, The pattern of assistance is uniform for all state universities for general development plan grants based on parameters, laid down from time to time. Universities and colleges located in educationally backward areas and young Universities are given special development grant.

(c)&(d): There are 20676 Colleges in the country as on 31.03.2007 out of which 6352 Colleges come under the purview of the UGC for the purpose of financial assistance under Section 12B of the UGC Act, 1956. These colleges are permanently affiliated to the universities concerned whereas the remaining colleges are not so and hence, ineligible for financial assistance from UGC. Out of these 6352 colleges, only 5661 Colleges have been declared fit to receive Central Assistance under Section 12B of the UGC Act, 1956. (As per Annexure)
There are 371 universities in the country.Out of these 284 universities are eligible to receive Central/UGC Assistance under Section 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956. (As per Annexure)

(e)&(f) Universities devise their own admission policies which is an academic exercise.